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SUBJECT: AID INDIA CONSORTIUM

REF: STATE 115596

1. WE DO NOT UNDERSTAND AMBASSADOR KAUL'S STATEMENT TO AMBASSADOR MEYER THAT OUR PROPOSED STATEMENT ON DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PLEDGING WAS " NOT VERY HELPFUL". YOUR CABLE CONTINUES " UNCERTAINTY ABOUT AVAILABILITY OF US AID WOULD HAMPER INDIA'S PREPARATION FOR FIFTH 5- YEAR PLAN". I GATHER THIS SUMMARIZES HIS SUBSEQUENT STATEMENT.

2. JUST WHO IN THE HELL DOES HE THINK HE IS, AND WHAT GOVERNMENT DOES HE REPRESENT? I SPENT ALMOST AN HOUR WITH PLANNING MINISTER D. P. DHAR ON JUNE 13 THE SAME DAY MEYER SAW KAUL. DHAR, WHO IS DRAWING UP THE FIVE YEAR PLAN, NEVER MENTIONED AMERICAN AID. TO THE CONTRARY HE INDICATED THAT THERE WOULD BE NO NEW AID TO INDIA FROM OUTSIDE OF THE FIVE YEAR PLAN. I ASKED WAS THIS NOT A CONSIDERABLE CHANGE FROM THE PROSPECT PREVIOUSLY HELD FORTH OF NO NET AID AT THE END OF THE PERIOD. HE AGREED. I ASKED DID THE PLAN ENVISION RESOURCE FLOW THROUGH PRIVATE CAPITAL INVESTMENT. IN THAT EVENT IT MIGHT HELP IF WE KNEW THE MAGNITUDES AS AMERICAN BUSINESS MIGHT BE INTERESTED. NOT REALLY, SAID HE. INDIA DOES NOT NEED RESOURCES, HE SAID. ( A MEMCON ON THIS MEETING FOLLOWS.)

3. THIS IS INSUFFERABLE. IF THEY WANT AID THEY SHOULD ASK FOR  
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IT AND IF THEY GET IT THEY SHOULD ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THEY HAVE DONE SO.

4. KAUL SPENT MANY A HAPPY HOUR IN MOSCOW. WHAT HAVE THE SOVIETS DONE FOR INDIA LATELY? WHEN IS KAUL GOING TO INDICATE THAT HE REALIZES THAT WE TAKE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF "NONMEMBER" COUNTRIES QUITE SERIOUSLY?

5. I THINK YOU SHOULD GET KAUL BACK IN AND STRAIGHTEN OUT A FEW THINGS WITH HIM. HOW COME THAT HE IS DISAPPOINTED ABOUT OUR POSITIVE STATEMENT ON NEW AID AT THE CONSORTIUM WHEN THE INDIANS HAVEN' T EVEN ASKED US FOR NEW AID YET. SURELY HE MUST HAVE READ THE PRESIDENT' S REPORT ABOUT THE SUBJECTS WHICH MUST BE CONSIDERED IN OUR ECONOMIC DIALOGUE BEFORE WE CAN AGREE ON AID. WE SHOULDN' T LET HIM FEIGN DISAPPOINTMENT WHEN IN FACT WE ARE MOVING FORWARD AND LOOKING-- NO, WAITING-- FOR THE INDIANS TO DO LIKEWISE.  
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